

ABSTRACT

A bulk bag having side walls; and a bottom wall provided wherein a pair of laterally spaced generally flexible sleeves are associated with the bottom wall with each sleeve operatively receiving a generally rigid tubular element adapted to receive a tine of a forklift truck, in use. Each tubular element preferably has, at one end thereof, outwardly directed flange formations for preventing movement of the said end into the sleeve, in use, and means at the other end for inhibiting movement of said other end into the sleeve, in use. The tubular element is preferably made to a generally rectangular cross-sectional configuration from a flat sheet of material bent along the corners to define said tubular element. The flat sheet of material is preferably an extruded sheet of plastics material having a series of integral spaced parallel webs or ribs of material strengthening the sheet in which case bends defining the corners of said generally rectangular cross-sectional configuration extend at substantially right angles to the length of said webs or ribs.

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